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## Corps to dredge Detroit River beginning in June

**DETROIT**—The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Detroit District, announced today it has awarded a Michigan company a nearly \$1.4 million dollar contract to dredge the lower Detroit River beginning in June.

Luedtke Engineering Co., a small business in Frankfort, Mich., was awarded a \$1.38 million contract to remove 208,000 cubic yards of dredged material from the Detroit River's east outer navigation channel, leading into Lake Erie. Dredging should begin in early June and continue through mid-summer.

"This work will help ensure that shipping lanes remain open and able to support the economy and the large number of commercial vessels, which pass up and down the Detroit River," said Mike O'Bryan, the Detroit District's Chief of Engineering and Technical Services Division.

The shoaled material dredged will be placed in the nearby Pte. Mouille Confined Disposal Facility, which is located in Lake Erie near the mouth of the Detroit River.

The Detroit District manages 94 harbors in and around Lakes Superior, Michigan, Huron, St. Clair, and the Michigan portion of Lake Erie. Along with the Detroit River, the Corps in Detroit handles the connecting channels of the St. Marys and St. Clair Rivers.

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